

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
GROUP 2145  
PATENT APPLICATION

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

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For: MEHTOD FOR USING THE COMPLETE RESOURCE CAPACITY OF A  
SYNCHRONOUS DIGITAL, HIERARCHY NETWORK, SUBJECT TO A  
PROTECTION MECHANISM, IN THE PRESENCE OF A DATA (PACKET)  
NETWORK, AND RELATING APPARATUS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE  
METHOD

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 19, 2007, please consider the remarks as  
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